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page. It is believed that the tea will move more safely in flat tins, which are not so liable as round ones to be damaged by the heat of the sun as round ones 4 or 5 inches in diameter and 4 or 5 inches in height. It is suggested as a general rule that the tins should not have sharp corners.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.

(1.) Privates in H. M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers,* Bandmasters, Schoolmasters (not Superintending or First-class), and all others who may send home letters at the United Kingdom by English Mail at the rate of two cents (two pence) each, or by the French Mail at the rate of three cents (three pence) each. The post must be prepaid in Hongkong Stamps.

(2.) To other places not beyond Great Britain such as India, Malta, &c., the postage is 2 cents (two pence) each.

(3.) The same privileges apply to letters addressed to the Private and Non-commissioned Officers named above.

(4.) Letters sent to the above may be enclosed in no handkerchief, jewellery, &c., can be sent even with the ends open.

(5.)—If from a Soldier or Sailor his class or description is not written in full on the cover of which must be signed by the commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ships or vessel, and rank, the letter will not be sent in full. If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class and description is not written in full on the cover of which must be signed by the commanding Officer, with name of regiment, ships or vessel, and rank, the letter will not be sent in full.

(6.) Soldiers and Sailors have no privilege with regard to books or papers.

* But not Warrant Officers, Assistant Bagpipers, Gunners, Boatwains, or Corporals.

